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Applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to submit an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121, effective, March 21, 2001, in order to avoid abandonment.

EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gerald G. Leffers Jr. whose telephone number is (703)-308-6232. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 9:30 am to 6:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Remy Yucel can be reached at (703) 305-1998. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 305-1998.

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